

Larry Hogan, Governor · Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor · Dennis Schrader, Secretary

January 2, 2018

The Hon. Larry Hogan Governor 100 State Circle Annapolis, MD 21401–1991

The Hon. Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate H-107 State House Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

The Hon. Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House H-101 State House Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Re: Health-General § 7.5–305 and HB 682, Chapter 406 of the Acts of 2017—Maryland Behavioral Health Advisory Council Annual Report and Strategic Plan

Dear Governor Hogan, President Miller, and Speaker Busch:

Pursuant to Health-General § 7.5–305 and HB 682, Chapter 406 of the Acts of 2017, the Maryland Department of Health respectfully submits on behalf of the Maryland Behavioral Health Advisory Council the attached annual report, which includes the strategic plan for ensuring that clinical crisis walk–in services and mobile crisis teams are available statewide and operating 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Webster Ye, Deputy Chief of Staff, at (410) 767–6480 or webster.ye@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

Dennis R. Schrader

Secretary

Enclosure

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